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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This response is to the Office Action mailed November 20, 2002.

Claims 1 - 22 have been restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

- I. Claims 1 17 are said to be drawn to a polymerization method, classified in Class
 427, subclass 487;
- IL Claim 18 is said to be drawn to a polymerization method, classified in Class 427, subclass 496;
- III. Claims 19 22 are said to be drawn to a method of polymerizing a polymerizable composition on a substrate for producing a pressure-sensitive article, classified in Class 427, subclass 487.

Applicants hereby elect Group I (i.e., claims 1 - 17), with traverse, and respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal or modification of the restriction.

In Group I, Applicants broadly claim a polymerization method.

The Restriction Requirement (Paper No. 6) in Paragraphs 2-4 states:

"Inventions I and II are unrelated. Inventions are unrelated if it can be shown that they are not disclosed as capable of use together and they have different modes of operation, different